

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

[0004] Various machines and apparatus for sealing cracks in roadways are well known in the prior art. For example, U.S. Patent Nos. ~~6,619,991~~ 6,619,881 and 6,619,882 disclose a roadway crack sealing apparatus having a mobile vehicle with a crack sealing assembly that includes fill and sealant hoppers that are located such that an operator of the apparatus has a view that allows him to locate and follow an elongated crack while the vehicle is moving in the forward direction. These patents also disclose a shroud that surrounds a nozzle for dispensing sealant where the hollow shroud is in communication with a pipe that is connected to the exhaust pipe of the vehicle so that hot exhaust gases are directed into the shroud to enable heating of the sealant.